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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Takahiro FUJISHIRO et al.  
Serial No.: 09/941,771  
Filed: August 30, 2001  
For: CERTIFICATE VALIDITY AUTHENTICATION METHOD AND APPARATUS  
Group: 2134  
Examiner: D. Jung

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 30, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 30, 2005, the period for reply thereto being extended three months by the attached Petition for Extension of Time to expire December 30, 2005, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** are included following the amendments.